

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR PLANS

VIA : C/CA

SUBJECT: Project AERODYNAMIC

1. Reference is made to the question regarding the nationalities problem in the Soviet Union, which was raised by Mr. Brzezinski during a discussion with Chief, SB Division. A paper is being prepared, which will cover the entire Soviet nationalities problem for Mr. Brzezinski.

2. SB Division's only project in this field is Project AERODYNAMIC, which lends support to a Ukrainian emigre ~~political~~ group, the ZP/UHVR (Foreign Representation of the Ukrainian Supreme Liberation Council), via the Prolog Research and Publishing Assoc, Inc., in New York, which was established in 1953 to conduct the clandestine activities of the ZP/UHVR. Prolog publishes and disseminates anti-Soviet propaganda, and has organized a net of its collaborators throughout the ~~targeted on~~ Western world to engage in contact operations ~~against~~ Soviet citizens travelling in the West and in mailing operations. CIA has maintained an operational relationship with the ZP/UHVR since 1950, when Project AERODYNAMIC was originated in Munich, Germany, combining PP, FI and CE operations. CIA support has been renewed annually since then. Project AERODYNAMIC was approved for FY-1967 in the amount of \$186,278,000, *the maximum amount of funding for the project for FY-1967*.

3. In view of recent nationalist flare-ups in the Soviet Union, particularly in the Ukraine, it is considered important to continue our support to Prolog's activities, which are directed toward encouraging the divisive manifestations among Soviet Ukrainians *who in turn, exert pressure on the Soviet regime.* Prolog obtained *information* and released in the West a list of 17 of the reported 70 Soviet Ukrainians arrested *rather than* during 1965 and 1966 for "anti-Soviet propaganda." According to Ivan DRACH and Mytro PAVLYCHKO, two Soviet Ukrainian writers presently with the Ukrainian delegation at the United Nations, the evidence against the defendants included various documents criticizing the Soviet system of government and the hostile attitude of the system toward things Ukrainian. It was determined via another source that copies of AERODYNAMIC anti-Soviet publications *were* among the literature confiscated during the arrests.

4. Although officials of the Department of State have been briefed on the Ukrainian project from time to time, the project itself has never been reviewed by the 303 Committee. A review by the Committee might be in order now, in view of recent attacks on Prolog, and what appears to be an effort on the part of Dr. Lev DOBRIANSKY *also* to smear CIA. Dr. DOBRIANSKY is a professor of Economics at Georgetown

University and President of the UCCA (Ukrainian Congress Committee of America) ~~on the Attorney General's list~~. In the autumn 1966 issue of the Ukrainian Quarterly, an organ of the UCCA, Dr. DORRIANSKY comments <sup>ed</sup> on a Kiev report about a defector, S. I. DZHUGALO, in which it was stated that American Intelligence sends spies from among "Ukrainian bourgeois nationalists" into the Soviet Union, and in which it was cited that Mykola Lebed (President of Prolog) was a recruit of American Intelligence. Dr. DORRIANSKY stated that "With the kind of use made by the CIA of certain exiles, the puppets in Kiev needn't become too hysterical. The Estonian case revealed in a Baltimore court has shown what could be expected of those who become financially obligated....What the puppets have strong cause to fear is the freedom developed by free spirits." A 17 October 1966 memorandum from the Federal Bureau of Investigation reveals that Dr. DORRIANSKY expressed interest in obtaining information concerning the Supreme Ukrainian Liberation Council. He stated he feels sure the Council receives financial backing from the Central Intelligence Agency, and that there was a question in his mind concerning political activity on the part of an organization which he believes receives financial support from the United States Government. <sup>that</sup> He indicated he was contemplating the possibility of seeking <sup>A</sup> clarification of this matter, possibly through inquiry of a member of Congress.

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Chief, SB

5. It is our view that cutting off our support of <sup>the</sup> Prolog ZP/UHVR would not only ~~impose~~ further limit our useful assets but would <sup>against the kind of accusations made by the Report</sup> provide much insulation in view of our long history of support and mutual assistance. We would still be liable to such accusations. Short of an investigation involving the subpoena of Prolog records or personnel we believe that the cover, <sup>of the ZP/UHVR</sup> for our support is adequate to substantiate <sup>A</sup> necessary denials.

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